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Temperature of all on above-named vessels taken on day of departure.

Tetanus is reported prevalent in epidemic form at Managua, the capital of Nicaragua.

PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce—Transactions of Service, month of June, 1909.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ferrer-Torres reports, July 1, through Chief Quarantine Officer Grubbs:

Month of June, 1909.

Vessels inspected	12
Vessels disinfected.....	1
Vessels in quarantine.....	3
Passengers inspected:	
Incoming.....	187
In transit.....	949
Immigrants inspected.....	57
Rejection.....	0
Members of crews inspected.....	779
Passengers detained in quarantine.....	0
Bills of health issued.....	16

RUSSIA.

Report from Libau—Status of cholera in St. Petersburg—Increase and spread of cholera in Russia—Examination of emigrants.

Acting Assistant Surgeon De Forest reports, July 2:

CHOLERA.

Week ended July 1.

	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.
St. Petersburg.....	June 25	99	34
Do.....	June 26	100	23
Do.....	June 27	58	29
Do.....	June 28	65	30
Do.....	June 29	78	30
Do.....	June 30	87	28
Do.....	July 1	94	29
Total.....		581	203

July 1, at St. Petersburg there were 607 cases present in the various hospitals.

Government of St. Petersburg: June 25 and 26, 36 cases, 12 deaths. Cronstadt: June 28–30, 5 cases, 1 death. Government of Estland: June 27, 1 case. Dworjanskaja Tereschka (district of Chmalysk): June 25, 1 case. Nishni Novgorod (district of Krestzy): June 30, 1 case. Archangel: June 26, 5 cases; July 1, 5 cases, 4 deaths. Widelebsk (district of Pleskau): July 1, cases present; 1 death. Riga: July 1, 1 case.

Reports show considerable increase and spread of cholera as compared with the preceding week.

For steamship *Russia*, sailing July 3, I have examined 1,037 emigrants, about 850 of whom will sail. The ship is in good sanitary

condition, and all on board, including a few persons going to Copenhagen, will have been in Libau for the required 5 days, and under observation; 300 pieces of baggage have been disinfected.

VENEZUELA.

Reports from La Guaira—Inspection of vessels—Sanitary work discontinued—Examination of rats for plague infection—Plague at Caracas.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Kellogg reports, June 23 and 30: Week ended June 23.

Vessels inspected and received bills of health.

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Crew.	Passengers.	Passengers in transit.
June 18	Buenos Aires.....	Porto Rico.....	127	36	165
21	Citta di Torino.....	Colon.....	88	16	(?)
22	Maracaibo.....	New York.....	54	26	7

The only measure adopted against rats at La Guaira is the payment of a bounty. All rats brought in are burned without examination.

A case of plague occurred at Caracas June 16. Five deaths have occurred there instead of 6, as previously reported. There are now remaining in the isolation hospital 9 cases.

Vessels inspected and received bills of health week ended June 30.

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Crew.	Passengers taken.	Passengers in transit.
June 25	Antillian ^a	New Orleans.....	53	0	0
25	France.....	Colon.....	138	1	50
26	Emma S. Lord ^a	Morgan City.....	7	0	0
26	Prins Fredrik Hendrik.....	New York.....	84	13	10

^a Fumigated with sulphur.

Sanitary work was discontinued June 21.

The official bacteriologist reports the examination of 17 rats, 4 of which, including 1 from La Guaira, were found to be plague infected.

Steamship agents have been informed that vessels and embarking passengers for the United States will be inspected and that baggage will be inspected and, when necessary, fumigated. Vessels are to hold no communication with the shore and are to lie 10 feet from the wharf, rat guards being placed on all lines. Only the captain, first officer, and steward will be allowed on shore.

Three more cases of plague are reported at Caracas, 1 occurring June 22 and 2 June 28. The total number of cases to date is 17, with 5 deaths.

ZANZIBAR.

Report from Zanzibar—Examination of rats for plague infection.

Consul Garrels reports, May 31:

During the period from May 16 to 31, 3,027 rats were examined for plague infection. No plague-infected rats were found.

Plague was last reported at Zanzibar November 20, 1908.